

News from

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City of San Diego

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San Diego's First Bike Corral to Open TODAY

Hillcrest is Home to the First Street Parking Spaces for Bikes

SAN DIEGO, CA (May 14, 2012) – San Diego City Councilmember Todd Gloria, bicycle advocates and local neighbors and business owners will celebrate the completion of the City's first bike corral at 12:00 p.m. TODAY, May 14 on Fifth Avenue just north of University Avenue.

The bike corral provides dedicated on-street parking for 12 bicycles in the space normally taken by one parked car. Parking is a known challenge throughout Hillcrest, and providing more parking for bikes will encourage local business patrons to choose bicycle transportation over cars. The Uptown Community Parking District provided funds to complete the bike corral to address the parking shortage. A grant from the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) was also used to fund a large portion of this project

The San Diego County Bicycle Coalition and local business owners have advocated for more bike facilities throughout the City. Additional corrals are in the works for other neighborhoods with strong interest in promoting bicycling. The corrals have proven to be a successful addition to bike systems in many other cities across the country from Portland to Pittsburgh.

In celebration of the bike corral's completion, Snooze Eatery (3940 Fifth Ave.) will donate 100% of the proceeds from today's sales of its bike-themed Pancake of the Day to the San Diego County Bicycle Coalition.

Completion of San Diego's First Bike Corral

WHO: Todd Gloria, Councilmember, Third District

Andy Hanshaw, Executive Director, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition

Robert Butterfield, Owner, Snooze Eatery

Tim Gahagan, Chair, Uptown Community Parking District

Hillcrest Neighbors

WHEN: TODAY, May 14, 2012 at 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Fifth Avenue north of University Avenue

VISUALS: Ribbon cutting, bicycles, first bike corral in San Diego

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